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139. Rajula	20464	0	421764
140. Chalala	24455	30575	498132
141. Bhuj	2494832	2602857	2057838
142. Ghandhidham	2507458	2182321	1851939
143. Anjar	117128	240746	1016741
144. Mandavi	111522	111522	1057158
145. Bachau	0	0	1057158
146. Rapar	0	0	480653
147. BhavanagarMC	197827	0	5613779
148. JamnagarMC	293000	293000	4294409
149. RajkotMC	330757	1102525	9044745

Proposal to link AIR, Bikaner Station with 'C Band transmission system

*617. SHRI AJMADUDDIN AHMAD KHAN (DURRU): Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to link AIR Station, Bikaner with 'C Band transmission system and to provide satellite digital signals to improve the reception quality;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of fund allocated therefor; and

(d) by when the project is likely to be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD): (a) to (d) The AIR Station at Bikaner has already been provided with a satellite C-Band receive system at a cost of Rs. 11 lakh. The project was completed in January, 2003.

National Drug Authority

*618. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering a proposal to form the National Drug Authority (NDA) as a centralized establishment with inclusive powers of drug regulation;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Mashelkar Panel has recommended the setting up of this authority for drug regulation revamp; and

(d) if so, the main recommendations of the panel ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ) : (a) to (d) The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare constituted an Expert Committee on 27-1-2003 under the Chairmanship of Dr. R A. Mashelkar, Director General, Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), to look into various drug regulatory issues. One of the terms of reference of the Committee is to recommend a new structure of the drug regulatory system in the country including the setting up of a National Drug Authority.

The Mashelkar Committee is expected to submit its report with recommendations within six months.

Funds to NGOs for AIDS control in **Andhra Pradesh**

*619. SHRI S. M. LALJAN BASHA: WU1 the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that crores of rupees were released to diverse NGOs to help control AIDS in Andhra Pradesh in the last two years;

(b) if so, the names of all such NGOs including the towns where they are based in Andhra Pradesh who got any kind of financial assistance from Government in the years 2001-02 and 2002-03;

(c) whether it is also a fact that such NGOs made frivolous and wasteful expenditure in the name of AIDS control;

(d) the reasons for Government giving money liberally to NGOs which are not useful; and

(e) the steps proposed to totally review such funding?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) to (e) The State of Andhra Pradesh is categorized high prevalence State as HIV prevalence in Antenatal women is more than 1%